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DEATH.
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The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 23RD MARCH, 1904.

THE HON. H. E. POLLOCK, at the meeting of the Legislative Council on Monday, raised a question of more interest to the Colony than might have been gathered from the attitude taken up toward it by seven out of the eight Official Members of the Council. Mr. POLLOCK asked whether, in view of Mr. JONATHAN HUTCHINSON's letter to the *Times* on the connection between leprosy and the eating of tainted fish (to which we have alluded in these columns several times recently), the Hongkong Government should not cause some enquiry to be made into the matter by its medical officers. Mr. POLLOCK supported his motion in an excellent speech, but failed to carry conviction to the mind of the Official majority, for only one of them voted with him and the other Unofficial Members, and by the use of his casting vote H.E. the Officer Administering the Government was able to defeat the motion. The unfavourable answer of the Government to Mr. POLLOCK, as read by the Hon. A. M. THOMSON on Monday, was based on the length of time which would be required for bacteriological examination, it being considered that the Government Bacteriologist would be better employed in investigating diseases affecting the public health of the Colony more than does leprosy. H.E. Mr. MAY himself

expressed his conviction that the Bacteriologist being the only medical official who could conduct the required examination, more of his time would be given to it than could be spared by the Colony; and the Attorney-General did not think that the question was one that could be settled by any such enquiry in this Colony. In spite of the almost unanimous weight of Official opinion against Mr. POLLOCK's proposal, we can but consider that the Government has made a mistake. After all, the motion only asked the Government to cause some enquiry to be made. As this motion has been rejected, apparently no enquiry of any kind will be made in Government medical circles, and the subject of the cause of leprosy will not interest Hongkong officials. Yet the question is one which affects the Colony. There are, it is true, diseases which affect Hongkong more readily. But there are, as Mr. POLLOCK pointed out, some 300,000 Chinese in the Colony and some two or three millions a year travelling to and from it. In the diet of these people cured fish figures largely; our noses tell us this every day as we move through the streets of the Colony. Moreover, though leprosy rarely penetrates to the City of Victoria and is not allowed to stay here if they contract the disease, still in the New Territory there is a considerable number of these afflicted wretches, and there is at Au-tau a leper settlement. Surely we should do more wisely in paying some slight attention to the subject of leprosy and its causes, rather than in neglecting it altogether? The question may not be one which can be settled by an enquiry in this Colony. But at least additional evidence, however slight, may be collected here which will help to fix the cause of a scourge which has been one of the worst ever known to the world and still claims countless victims in some lands. There is much leprosy in South China, and the eating of improperly cured fish, Mr. HUTCHINSON's claimed cause, is universal. Hongkong is therefore not unfavourably placed for aiding in the examination of the disease. We cannot believe that the subject is one of no importance to the Colony, as the solid voting of the Official Members of the Legislative Council on Monday would lead one to infer.

The Government of the United States has sanctioned the laying of a cable from Japan to Guam on the ground that as it will afford commercial facilities the laying of the cable at the present time does not constitute a breach of neutrality.

The Japan Mail makes the interesting statement that at Hongkong there has been a fancy chess ball where Port Arthur incidents found portrayers to the great satisfaction of onlookers. How did this ball fail to attract attention locally, we wonder?

Indians at Skagway, Klondike, report the finding of a well-preserved mammoth, twenty feet high, and with tusks a foot thick, in a glacier north-east of S. Michael. An expedition is trying to secure it for the S. Louis Exposition.

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As our London correspondent announced at the end of last month, the Arbitration Court appointed by the Hague Tribunal to enquire into the right of Great Britain, Germany, and Italy to priority of treatment in the allotment of 30 per cent. of the Venezuelan Customs set apart to pay the foreign creditors of Venezuela, decided that the three blockading Powers have the right to such preference over the other Powers. The claims which the blockading Powers made against Venezuela were:—Great Britain, £500,000; Germany, £300,000; Italy, £1,600,000; and the non-blockading Powers, the United States, \$2,180,000; France, \$3,300,000; Belgium, £1,000,000; Spain, £120,000; Mexico, \$100,000; Holland, £209,000; Sweden, \$270,000.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the hospitals:—

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China On Fire Insurance Co. ... 25	
Man On Insurance Co. ... 25	
Wing Kee & Co. ... 25	
S. Hancock ... 20	
Lefferts Knox ... 10	
Lütgens, Elstmann & Co. ... 10	
A. G. Morris ... 10	
Francisco The Yat ... 10	
Wong Po Chun ... 10	
B. Brotherton Barker ... 5	
Capl. Lloyd ... 5	
L. Mallory ... 5	
Funch ... 5	
Jorge & Co. ... 5	

The celebrated performing chimpanzee, *Conut*, has died at Berlin. The animal was insured for £20,000.

Unprecedented cold was reported from Eastern Canada last month, with consequent bad results for railways and all branches of commerce. Quebec and Ontario reports were very bad.

Early in February Mr. Daniel Sully, the sensational speculator on the New York cotton market, joined the Chicago Board of Trade, preparatory to wholesale operations on all markets.

The death is announced of Mr. James Paris Lee, the inventor of the Lee-Enfield rifle, aged 72 years. Mr. Lee was a Scotsman by birth, but at an early age he emigrated with his parents to Galt, Canada. He first invented and manufactured his magazine rifles at Milwaukee, then with the Remingtons at Ilion and afterwards through companies. His magazine rifles have been used by the United States, Roumania, China, Denmark, Mexico, and other Governments.

The New York Yacht Club has received a letter from Sir Thomas Lipton regarding the conditions of the next challenge for the America Cup. The contents of the letter have not been made public, but it is understood that Sir Thomas asks that a return be made to the old type of yacht as distinguished from the mere racing machine. It is unlikely, however, that his request will be granted, as American yachtsmen prefer to retain full liberty of action in determining the kind of yacht necessary as a defender of the Cup.

The *Nippon* points out that the Japan-Russia negotiations and war have had strange dealings with the figure seven, sufficiently strange to make the superstitious talk. In the first place the current year is the 37th year of Meiji; seven professors presented a memorial advocating war; on the 7th February it became known that diplomatic relations were broken off; in the first attack on Port Arthur seven Russian war-ships were damaged; seventy-seven men went on the famous blocking expedition; the encounter on land took place outside the "Seven Star Gate" at Pingyang; and finally the number of war-ships which attacked Vladivostok was seven. This, remarks the *Kobe Chronicle*, will go to increase the faith of those who believe that the Japanese are descendants of the lost tribes of Israel, for the number seven was sacred among the Hebrews.

LICENSING SESSIONS.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon a meeting of the Justices of the Peace was held to consider an application from James Christie to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situated at No. 2 Shukuiwan Road, under the sign of "The Metropole Hotel."

Mr. T. Sercombe Smith presided, the other Justices of the Peace present being Mr. H. E. J. Gompertz and Mr. D. Mulharn. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, solicitor, who appeared on behalf of the applicant, stated that this application was made as the "Bay View" Hotel, his client's present place of business, was required for another business, and his client was obliged to remove to the "Metropole Hotel."

There being no police objections, the application was granted.

FRONTIER NOTES.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Monday, 21st March.

Much rain has fallen, but the sky has now slightly cleared. Although it has rained for the best part of a week, there is very little surplus moisture in the ground; the country was in such a parched condition after the long dry winter. The hills are putting on their green spring covering in exchange for their khaki-coloured winter one, and all around can be seen the beneficial effects of the recent rain. The wild hedge-rose is blooming everywhere in profusion and filling the air with its sweet perfumes. Pear-orchards are one mass of blossoms, the haunt of myriad winged creatures, including the busy bee. That uncouth-looking but serviceable animal the buffalo is now employed from sunrise till sunset in preparing the fields for the first rice-crop. Little green patches scattered throughout the valleys show where the rice for transplanting has been sown. Fields are also being prepared for the planting of canes, the roots of last year's crops being dug up and burned. Everywhere the greatest activity prevails among the farming class. I am afraid the rain came too late to benefit much the sweet potato-crop, and this is a pity, seeing the sweet potato is one of the Chinese staple articles of diet.

MOSQUITOES.
With the rain has come the mosquitoes; and one sees in various parts of each village a "mosquito smudge" mouldering night and day giving out a thick, acrid smoke.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY.
The state of the country is peaceful on the whole, although attacks by armed gangs are not infrequent. Probably this state of things will never be thoroughly remedied until the British once more take over Shamshun together with Shataukok and Namtan cities. North of these places lies a range of hills, the roads through which could be easily guarded. Not so the present level frontier, with roads leading everywhere and nowhere. As long as the present frontier exists armed attacks will happen as a matter of course in spite of all exertions made on the British side of the line.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.

LONDON, 20th March.

S. Petersburg reports on the 20th instant that everything was quiet; the distances between the armies was great, and only small skirmishes with scouts, between the Yalu and Ping-yang, had taken place.

JAPANESE IN SIBERIA.

LONDON, 20th March.

The Washington Government, at the request of Mr. Takahira, has instructed Mr. McCormick to ask Russia to assist fifty Japanese non-combatants in Siberia, whose lives are in danger, to reach Berlin, where the Legation will look after them.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT BONDS.

LONDON, 19th March.

The Government has issued £5,000,000 stock at 87, bearing interest at 2½ per cent., for purposes of the Irish Land Act.

GERMAN WEST AFRICA.

LONDON, 19th March.

Severe fighting has taken place in South-West Africa. A small force of Germans, with numerous staff officers, encountered a rear guard of the Hereros, which, being reinforced, the Germans retreated. Seven officers and nine men were killed and thirty-two wounded.

THE SUNKEN SUBMARINE.

LONDON, 20th March.

An attempt to lift the sunken submarine boat has failed, and salvage operations are now necessary.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT HONGKONG.

LAST RESPECTS TO THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.

A memorial service in commemoration of His late Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, Honorary Colonel-in-Chief to the Forces, was held at St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning. Proceedings were commenced at 9 o'clock, the Rev. P. Jenkins, Acting Army Chaplain, officiating. The service was a most impressive one, the building being well filled with uniforms. Those present included His Excellency Mr. F. H. May (Officer Administering the Government), Mr. R. Ponsonby (private secretary to H.E.), Capt. Hurley (A.D.C. to H.E.), Rear-Admiral Hon. Curzon Howe, His Excellency Vice-Admiral and Commander-in-Chief Sir G. Noel, Admiral Von Prittwitz, Capt. Boreas (Italian Navy), and four officers, His Excellency Major-General Sir Villiers Hutton (General Officer Commanding), Rear-Admiral Foote, Commander Dickens, Flag-Capt. Hon. F. Stopford (H.M.S. *Alacrity*), Col. W. E. Webb (Principal Medical Officer), Capt. Tudor (H.M.S. *Cressy*), Capt. Windham (H.M.S. *Amphitrite*), the C.S.O., Major French, Flag-Commander Bantick, Flag-Capt. Fremantle (H.M.S. *Albion*), Col. Forrier (C.P.M.), Major A. A. Chichester (D.A.Q.M.G.), Col. Brown and officers of Royal Engineers, Major Banny, Lieut.-Col. Watts and officers of 1st Sherwood Foresters, Col. Webb and officers of Royal Army Medical Corps, Col. Forrier and officers of Army Pay Department, representatives of the H.K.V.C., Lieut.-Col. Keel and officers of the Royal Artillery, Lieut.-Col. Birdwood and officers of 110th Mahratta Light Infantry, Lieut.-Col. Ironmonger and officers of 93rd Burma Infantry, Major Canfield and officers of 114th Mahratta, and members of the Legislative Council, including the Honourable Sir Paul Chater, Wei Yut, Ho Kai, Gershom Stewart, and Sir W. M. Goodman (Chief Justice). Seats were reserved for officers' wives in the North Tribune. Several foreign Consuls, including Senator A. G. Romano (Portugal), M. Gaston Liebert (France), Mr. M. Noma (Japan), Chev. G. Volpelli (Italy), and Dr. Otto Gumprecht (Germany), also attended. After the singing of the National Anthem, at the conclusion of the service, the troops fell in, preparatory to marching off. The arrangements, which were made by the military, were as good as they could be.

His Majesty's ships in harbour half-masted their flags yesterday. The flagships *Alacrity* and *Albion* fired 30 minute guns in succession, commencing at 11 a.m.

REPORTED PIRACY NEAR MACAO.

The Hongkong, Canton, and Macao *Heungshun* brings news from Macao that a band of pirates attacked a Chinese township about eight miles from Macao, last Sunday night. The town guard was called out to defend the population, with the result that 17 of them were killed. The pirates, however, were repulsed, and it is said, some of them were killed. As they managed to carry away the dead and wounded, their loss is not exactly known.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 22nd at 11:20 a.m. The barometer has risen generally, but has fallen slightly in the Yangtze valley and S. China.
Gradients are still rather steep on the China coast and over the China Sea.
Fresh but decreasing monsoon will be met with in the Formosa Channel, and fresh N.E. winds in the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh E. to N.E. winds.

WAR NOTES.

PORT ARTHUR.

Up to the time when we went to press last night no confirmation had arrived of the rumour of Port Arthur's capture, which was spread all over the Colony yesterday afternoon. None of the Japanese firms had any news yesterday.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. Bennett Burleigh, commenting in the *Daily Telegraph* on the trend of events since the opening of active hostilities, expresses the opinion that there is grave danger of Port Arthur being surrounded by the Japanese and isolated, and that this will almost certainly ensue in the event of the Russians being defeated in the first land battle.

The Japan Mail says that the Russians are now reported desirous of restoring Newchwang to the status it enjoyed before they assumed military control of the place in 1900. Their reasons are that, were Newchwang once more a perfectly open settlement and therefore neutral ground, it could be largely though surreptitiously used as a basis of supply, and the danger of a Japanese landing there being also averted, the strain on Russia's slender military forces would be proportionately relaxed. The Mail remarks that people are not quite so foolish as to load themselves blindfold to Russian Russia.

Since the outbreak of the war the P. & T. Times of the 9th inst. notices that the a.s. Undine from the Hokkaido is the first vessel which has arrived in Tientsin flying the Japanese flag, showing that the Japanese have command of the sea. The vessel was consigned to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

The Russians were recently said to be contemplating the seizure of Hsing-min-tung. This town is the first important station on the main road running westward from Moukden. It is on the right bank of the Liao, and consequently its occupation by Russian troops would be an emphatic announcement that the West-Liao region is not within neutral territory.

The statement that the greater part of the Japanese shells failed to explode at the recent bombardment of Vladivostok remains to be verified. There has been much curiosity of late about the Shimonoseki explosion, for which a rank is claimed second to blasting gelatin only in disruptive violence, and as blasting gelatin has never been brought under sufficient control to serve for artillery uses, the Shimonoseki would thus stand at the head of the list.

The war has already had a considerable influence on the London textile trade, in which there is much speculation as to its probable duration and the extent to which the export of silk from Japan may diminish. There has been something like a rush for Japanese silk in piece, for which there is really no effective substitute. The price has already risen, and there can be no doubt that the upward movement will be sustained as long as the war lasts.

The members of the Yokohama City Office agree not to purchase new silk clothes unless absolutely necessary, not to offer cakes, tobacco, sake, etc., to visitors, and not to ride in jurisdiction, unless compelled by urgent business or on account of wind and rain. They are not to spend money on amusement and not to buy tickets unless they have good reason. All this is done with the object of assisting the War Fund.

Fifteen new guns of large calibre and modern design, ordered by the Japanese Government some time ago, were sent out from the Krupp works in Germany on the 13th ult. They will be forwarded to Japan via the Canadian Pacific route.

THE BALTIC FLEET.

Mr. Fred T. Jans, the well-known naval expert, and author of *All the World's Fighting Ships*, etc., writes in the *London Daily Chronicle* on the subject of Russia's Baltic Fleet which is coming out East—some day. He says that the Baltic vessels proper consist of three coast-defence battleships—*Apraksin*, *Oushakov*, and *Benyavsk*. The first carries three 10in., the others four 9in. guns. All have also four quick-firing guns. They are able to do about 15 knots at a pinch. Being of low freeboard, they are bad sea boats, and they carry so little coal that they could only get out by being accompanied by a whole fleet of colliers. The other vessels are the third-class cruisers *Svetlana* and *Komiloff*, and the recently reconstructed *Pamiat Azova*. Both the former are unprotected vessels; both are old. But they might be a most serious factor, for they would carry with them the gunners of the "Practice Squadron," who, some time ago, made marvellously good shooting. There are other ships that would join this fleet, and one 8,000-ton battleship—the *Sveci Veliky*, with four 12-in. and six 6-in. guns. She steamed fifteen knots recently in a "paying-off" trial. Then there is the old battleship *Navarin*, a weak edition of our *Nile* and *Trafalgar*, with four 12-in. and eight 6-in. guns. Skipped to carry very antique 6-inch pieces, but these may have been replaced. The squadron would also pick up the new battleship *Orel*, the old armoured cruiser *Nakhimoff*, and the new protected cruiser *Aurora*, a sister to the *Pallada*, also a dozen destroyers that are about in the Mediterranean. From the Baltic at least a dozen more torpedo cruisers could be drawn—possibly a score or two—but it would take them months to get out. Apparently five or six ships, and nine or ten destroyers, form the Baltic division going out. For what it is worth, therefore, this and the half-way ships would make a fleet of the second rate, the third rate, the fourth rate, and three coast-defence battleships, two reconstructed old-belted cruisers, one second-class cruiser, two third-class cruisers, and about twenty destroyers. They might arrive in Far Eastern waters in May, and they would burn at least 60,000 tons of coal en route. The problem is, how are they to get up? The *Orel*, *Orel*, *Pallada*, *Nakhimoff*, and *Pamiat Azova* have

water-tube boilers of the Belleville type. Bellevilles have recently exhibited excellent long distance staming qualities, so these four may be depended upon to do the trip. The other vessels have cylindrical boilers, and old ones at that. It is a grave question whether or not they could reach their destination in a steaming condition.

HONGKONG ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

The annual general meeting of the above society was held on the 21st March, at 5.15 p.m., at the office of the Hon. Secretary, Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., 18, Bank Buildings.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. H. Porcell, presented to the meeting a statement of accounts, of which the following is a summary:—
To printing and advertising ... \$107.85
To rent of hall, etc. ... 287.88
To refreshments at Dr. Thomson's lecture ... 45.80
To show ... 10.00
To the book ... 75
To balance in bank ... 73.09

By balance on last account, 11th April, 1902 ... \$257.79
By subscriptions collected ... 234.00
By interest to date ... 3.58
\$525.37

W. H. PORCELL,
Hon. Treasurer.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.
It was proposed, seconded, and carried that the above accounts should be passed.

In consequence of the approaching departure from Hongkong on a holiday to England of Mr. Porcell, who has been the Hon. Treasurer of the society for many years past, Mr. Newman Mumford was elected hon. treasurer for the ensuing year. Mr. Pollock was re-elected hon. secretary. He stated that it was a matter of regret that he had not been able to get more lecturers to come forward during the current winter season, but that he would try to arrange for one or two more lectures before the beginning of the summer. Since the last annual general meeting in November, 1902, the following lectures have been given:—

Dr. J. C. Thomson on "Malaria and its Relation to the Mosquito," H.E. Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., in the chair.
The Rev. Dr. Pentecost on "The Chinaman, the Anglo-Saxon, and the Orient," the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., in the chair.
The Rev. Dr. Pentecost, on "The Reasonableness of Christianity," Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., in the chair.

Capt. G. C. Anderson, on "The Defence of the Empire," H.E. Sir William Gaisgoine, K.C.M.G., in the chair.
Mr. C. Clements on "Buddhism," H.E. Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., in the chair.
The Rev. E. J. Hardy on "Marriage," H.E. Sir William Gaisgoine in the chair.

The Hon. F. E. May, C.M.G., with "A Plea for Jewish Wit," Commodore Robinson, R.N., in the chair.
Mr. Ernest D. Haskell on "Fiscal Policy and Imperial Federation," Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., in the chair.
The Rev. E. J. Hardy on "Chinese Manners," H.E. Major-General Villiers-Hutton, C.B., in the chair.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS.

The four championship yachts sailed the eleventh Club Race on Saturday last over course No. 25½ miles, to mark-bait off Green Island, thence to Troms Rocks, back to Green Island, and home. The day was dry and clear, a great change after the fog of the last fortnight; but alas, there was little or no wind, and none of the yachts finished.

ONE-DESIGN CLASS.

The one-design class sailed off their eleventh Club race on Sunday in a light and somewhat fluky wind. *Benito* got the best of the start and maintained her lead to the mark-bait off Green Island, which was rounded in the following order:—*Benito*, *Min*, *Colleen*, *Erica*, *Kathleen*, the last four in a bunch. *Benito* then stood right across towards Chungking, coming up to Troms Rocks north of Stonecutters, while the other four beat up the fairway and round the east of the island. *Erica* got becalmed and was left a long way behind. *Colleen* caught *Min*, but after a good deal of jockeying *Min* got the lead again and led *Colleen* by about a minute at Troms Rocks Buoy. *Kathleen* being about two minutes behind, *Colleen* and *Benito* about five behind *Kathleen*. On the run down to Green Island *Kathleen* caught *Colleen*, and they rounded the mark-bait together; *Kathleen*, with the inner berth, about two minutes behind *Min*. *Benito* had again chosen her own course, and had gone round east of Stonecutters, but put herself out of the race by so doing. On the best home *Kathleen* and *Colleen* passed *Min* by keeping further to the north, and a most exciting finish resulted between these two, *Kathleen* eventually winning luckily by a length only.

The times at the finish, were:—
H. M. S.
Kathleen ... 5 1 45
Colleen ... 5 2 15
Min ... 5 8 45
Benito ... 5 24 30
Erica ... not timed.

The Handicap class kept very close together on the run to the Green Island mark-bait, rounding in the following order:—*Alannah*, *Chanticleer*, *Iris*, *Clivia*, *Geyser*. All worked up to the Troms Rock on the south side of Stonecutters Island. *Alannah*, *Iris*, and *Chanticleer* being well ahead of the two runner boats, who evidently did not understand the set of the tides in this corner. On the way home *Alannah* let *Iris* pass her, and the finish was as follows:—

H. M. S.
Iris ... 5 15 10
Alannah ... 5 15 45
Chanticleer ... 5 18 12

On Saturday next the yacht will sail for the R.A. Cup, and on the 17th April a Cup kindly presented by Mr. W. B. Dixon will be competed for.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LIGHTS ON JUNKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 21st March.

Sir,—May I ask the favour of space for a few words on the carrying of lights on junks sailing out of Hongkong? The lighting of junks in general would include a very wide field, but there is, as far as I can see, no reason why some order and system should not be introduced among the local craft; and it might be expected that such having been established and understood, it would by usage act as a sort of lantern and extend more or less to the outside fleet. The Chinese junkman at present quite acknowledges and understands the necessity of lights; but with the characteristic fatuous carelessness of his class, having provided the light it seems no manner of concern to him how it is used and where it is placed, and the many and various devices employed in the matter are the cause of much perplexity, annoyance, and danger to those charged with the navigation of steamers on the waters adjacent to the Colony.

As an example, a dim light is seen low down; it looks such as might be expected on a small sampan. Neater, the tall sail of one of the large one-masted boats that carry stone and coal lines is used and where it is placed, and the many and various devices employed in the matter are the cause of much perplexity, annoyance, and danger to those charged with the navigation of steamers on the waters adjacent to the Colony. A junk is seen low down; it looks such as might be expected on a small sampan. Neater, the tall sail of one of the large one-masted boats that carry stone and coal lines is used and where it is placed, and the many and various devices employed in the matter are the cause of much perplexity, annoyance, and danger to those charged with the navigation of steamers on the waters adjacent to the Colony. A junk is seen low down; it looks such as might be expected on a small sampan. Neater, the tall sail of one of the large one-masted boats that carry stone and coal lines is used and where it is placed, and the many and various devices employed in the matter are the cause of much perplexity, annoyance, and danger to those charged with the navigation of steamers on the waters adjacent to the Colony.

There appears to me no reason why some beginning of order should not be introduced into the present chaotic state of things. A paternal legislation looks after the steamers and prescribes minutely a number of things that are to be done, some useful, others not so, and it seems a feasible scheme to impose certain compulsory regulation of lights on the junks. A terse and compendious set of instructions might be drawn up in Chinese, either in pamphlet form, or in the shape of a printed sheet pasted up in some conspicuous place in the junk, couched in the infantile diction that seems best adapted for conveying instruction to the Chinese mind, explaining the reasons for prohibiting the lights and prescribing penalties for not doing so. All the junks under Harbour authority should be compelled to have a copy, a few being charged them for it, in order to bring it more impressively before them, and they should be instructed to exhibit the light where it would be most visible in the direction of the approaching vessel.

There would be some consideration required in the matter of placing lights in junks, but I should say if every sailing junk was required to carry a high light forward and a low light aft, both of fair power, it would be a step in the right direction, as it would indicate the direction of a crossing junk, but the general scheme would be a matter for discussion and arrangement.

This, I opine, is a matter which might well occupy the attention of the Government and the Harbour authorities, and, as in most matters, there is no time for it like the present.—Yours, etc.

CHAS. V. LLOYD.

THE OPIUM FARM QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 21st March.

Sir,—“Anti-Opium,” as far as I can see, though evidently having good intentions, is a narrow-minded European who has in no way studied the opium question. When he says, “Instead of encouraging people to smoke, the Hongkong Government should, for the sake of humanity, suppress it altogether, as it does gambling. Surely opium-smoking is as bad, in fact much worse, than an occasional investment of a few dollars in the Macao Lottery?” he does not know what he is talking about. Why does not this foreigner attack red-nosed inebriates, and advocate that all the bar-rooms

in the Colony, if not in the world, be closed instantaneously; the use of liquor is held by many eminent European doctors to be more injurious than the alleged opium vice. Dr. Attygalle, of Ceylon, recently wrote to the Colonist as follows:—“The vilest attribute of the use of opium by the Low-country Singalese and others are not in keeping with my experience. I have before my mind's eye at this moment more than half-a-dozen confirmed and inveterate opium-eaters. They have indulged in the habit for years and years, apparently without any injurious results to their health, or rendering themselves obnoxious to others. One of them, it would hardly be credited when it is stated, is close on 100 years of age, and he has been addicted to the opium habit for the last 51 years! He is as well as could be, both physically and mentally, at the present time, for a man of his age, and it is only last week that he came to see me, walking a distance of seven miles at one stretch. Doubtless the indulgence in opium as a habit is both objectionable and undesirable for many reasons, but in my opinion it is quite harmless compared with the use of intoxicating liquors. I have not known a single instance in my long experience of any person committing a crime under the influence of opium, but, if I mistake not, more than half the assaults and murders reported throughout the island (Ceylon) are the outcome of drink in one way or another, and yet no serious attempt is made by our would-be philanthropists to restrict the liquor traffic. Verily, they are guides which strain at a gnat and swallow a camel.”—Yours etc.

CHOP CHOP.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 22nd March.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (PUNISH JUDGE).

DISPUTE ABOUT A DRESS-SUIT.

Mr. H. A. B. Cooke sued the Yee Sang Fat firm, tailors, Queen's Road Central, for \$55, being money paid by him to the defendants for a dress suit which they undertook to deliver to him well fitting and of good quality. Mr. A. C. Holborow, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker & Deacon, solicitors, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. Harding, of Messrs. Ewins & Harston, solicitors, for the defendants.

Mr. Cooke in evidence stated that he ordered the dress suit some time in the latter end of December. When it was delivered to him the first time he had not the money by him to pay for it, and he asked them to send it round in a few days. When they sent it back to the Hotel America, where he was staying, he paid for the suit. He had no occasion to use the suit for some time afterwards and he did not open the parcel to look at it. When he did undo the parcel and tried the suit on he found that it did not fit and that the facings and trimmings were not of silk as he had stipulated for. He had done business with the defendant firm previously, and they had asked him for an order for a dress suit if he should require one. He told them that he had asked about the price of a dress suit at Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.'s and had been told that that firm would make him a first-class suit for between \$90 and \$100. Defendants said they could make as good a suit for \$55, and that they would if necessary give a written guarantee as to its quality. When plaintiff found that the suit supplied by the defendants was unsatisfactory he returned it. Owing to the fact that he had to attend at a cinematograph performance which he promoted in the City Hall about the 20th, 21st, and 22nd of January he had to order a new suit from another firm of tailors.

On the suit being produced for the inspection of the Court, his Lordship said the facings were ordinary China silk, of as good a quality as could be expected for \$55.

Mr. Holborow contended that the contract entered into was for the supply of a suit equal to that made by Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. for from \$90 to \$100, and that the defendants had no right to repudiate their contract.

His Lordship pointed out that plaintiff in his evidence had admitted that the suit had been tried on by him several times and he had taken no objection to the fit; he took delivery of the suit, paid for it, and kept it for a considerable time before returning it. Now he could certainly keep the suit, but he could not get the purchase money returned. His Lordship accordingly entered judgment for the defendants with costs.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER PARADES.

ALL UNITS.

At Headquarters at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, 23rd March, for Battalion Drill, Rehearsal for G.O.C.'s Inspection (uniform, belts, pouch, carbine, puttees, and field service caps). Sergeant Turtan, 1st Sherwood Foresters, will attend.

At Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Friday, 25th March, for Infantry Drill. Sergeant Turtan, 1st Sherwood Foresters, will attend.

At Teikoo for that Detachment at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 25th March, for Infantry Drill. C.S.M. Whelan, B.G.A., will attend.

ANNUAL INSPECTION.

At Headquarters at 2 p.m. on Saturday, 26th March, for His Excellency the General Officer Commanding's Annual Inspection. The Corps to be ready for the G.O.C. to commence inspection at 2.45 p.m. on the New Parade Ground below the Cathedral. Launch for Kowloon Dock Detachment to leave Dock at 1.30 p.m. for Murray Pier. Uniform:—Khaki drill, puttees, white helmet with fittings, belts, sidearms, rifle or carbine. Black boots must be worn.

NOTES FROM THE BOTANICAL GARDENS.

The *Brusellias* are a very ornamental class of flowering shrubs, natives of the West Indies and South America. Several species are represented in the gardens, three of which are now in flower. One of these is *Brusellia macrophylla*, a small shrub about three feet high with violet-coloured flowers nearly 2 inches in diameter. We are not quite sure that we have described the colour of the flowers correctly, as we feel certain a lady would call it heliotrope. The flowers are found at the ends of the branches in great numbers, so that the plants are very conspicuous features at the present time. The lanceolate leaves are about 4 inches long, glabrous and shining above, but glaucous underneath. Specimens may be seen in the big shrubbery in the new garden and on the bank above the Grevillea walk in the old garden.

Brusellia ramosissima resembles the above species in habit, but the flowers are rather darker and the leaves are elliptical and glaucous on both sides. Plants of this species may be seen growing near those of *B. macrophylla*. Both of these plants are natives of Brazil, and they have lately been reduced to *Brusellia calycina*.

An excellent shrub for growing in pots and flowering at this time of the year is *Viburnum japonicum*, a native of China and Japan. The most showy part of the inflorescence is the series of large, white, sterile flowers which surround the small, yellow, fertile ones. These attracting insects to the plant to aid in its fertilisation. There are several of these *Viburnums* to be seen around the fountain in the old garden.

The rainfall for the last week has been 2.27 inches.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO. LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the fifteenth ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the general managers on Wednesday, 6th April, at 11.30 a.m.:

Annexed we have the pleasure to lay before shareholders a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The net profit, including the amount brought forward from the previous year, amounts to \$202,115.74 which it is proposed to deal with as follows, viz.:

To place to reserve fund \$20,000.00
To pay a dividend of 15 per cent. 150,000.00
To carry forward to next year's account 32,115.74

We are glad to be able to recommend an increased dividend, for we think this year's work fully justifies it, but too much must not be expected in this respect until the overdrawn bank account becomes somewhat reduced.

The increased consumption, especially in this Colony, has kept pace with our enlarged facilities for production, and for the latter part of the year the factories worked at their full capacity.

The threatened scarcity of raw material has we hope been overcome, and we anticipate no further trouble on that score.

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., the Hon. C. W. Dickson, and Dr. J. W. Noble, retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Mr. C. Ewins, who is shortly leaving the Colony, does not offer himself for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arnold and W. H. Potts, who are recommended for re-election.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 22nd March.

BEFORE MR. T. SEECOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

AIDING AND ABETTING STOWAWAYS.

Bat Lun, Ng Chin, and Tan Hing, refrigerators attendants on the s.s. Tai Yuan, were charged with aiding and abetting four Chinese to stow away on board that steamer to obtain passages to Sydney, without the permission of the master, owners, or agents, and without paying their passages. The second defendant said he received the men on board the steamer during the night of the 2nd of February last, at the request of the first defendant, and he and the third defendant put the men in the refrigerator. Augustine Keady, refrigerating engineer on the s.s. Tai Yuan, sworn, testified to finding the men in the refrigerator. The second defendant offered witness \$250 not to report the finding of the stowaways. He, however, reported the matter, and the men were arrested. His Worship sentenced them to fines of \$500 and 3 months hard labour, or in default of payment of the fines another 3 months hard labour.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

EXTRADITION.

R. B. Mayer, remanded, was placed before His Worship for the purpose of extradition to Brisbane, on charges of embezzlement and forgery. Detective-Sergeant Head, of Brisbane, who has arrived, with the papers in the case, on the Tai Yuan, appeared to prosecute. Thomas Head, Detective-Sergeant of Police, Brisbane, said he knew the defendant R. B. Mayer, now before the Court. He produced the warrant issued for the arrest of the defendant. The warrant was signed by J. Crawford, a magistrate at Brisbane. It was signed in the presence of witness, who appended his signature as a witness thereto. He also produced the information on which that warrant was obtained. He also produced (1) exhibits in the case against the defendant (2) a cheque for £290, (3) a cheque for £5, (3) a cheque for £196, (4) a letter from defendant, and (5) a photograph of defendant.

His Worship then committed defendant to gaol for 15 days, during which time he could, if he chose, make application for writ of *habeas corpus*. If nothing was done he would be then remanded to Brisbane.

Defendant had nothing to say.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

EDUCATION IN HONGKONG IN 1903.

At the Legislative Council on Monday afternoon there was laid on the table the report for 1903 of the Inspector of Schools (Mr. E. A. Irving). We make the following extracts:—

STAFF.

Mr. W. H. Williams took up his appointment as Head Master of the Saiyungpan District School in January. Mr. C. Curwen was appointed Headmaster of the Yauwatt District School in March. Miss Colcutt resigned her appointment of Second Mistress at the Kowloon School in May. After several changes Mrs. Hatwell was appointed in July.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Many steps have been taken during the year under review to give effect to the general recommendations of the Committee on Education. A Sub-Committee of the Governing Body of Queen's College was appointed to draw up a course of study for the Chinese Classes in the College. The same course has been adopted in the Anglo-Chinese District Schools; and in most of the Anglo-Chinese and Vernacular Grant Schools a similar course is now being followed. Further reference to this course is made under "Grant Schools" below. A Committee was appointed to consider the possibility of holding regular examinations for the senior classes in History and Geography under the auspices of the Oxford Local Delegation. The report of this Committee is now in the hands of the Government. The Committee on Education drew attention to the difficulties attendant on the co-education of young English speaking children with Chinese boys who are beginning the study of English, and finally the following dictum of the late Governor, Sir Henry Blake, received the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—"In my opinion the difficulty may be surmounted by arranging that Chinese boys shall not be taught English in the same Class as non-Chinese boys, until it is found that they have acquired a sufficient knowledge of English to understand the teaching given to the class in that language. This will prevent the English boys being retarded, without violating the principle that education shall be given equally and indiscriminately to all races."

THE GRANT CODE.

One of the most important changes recommended by the Committee on Education was the substitution of a new Code for the then existing Grant-in-Aid Code. Accordingly the present Grant Code was drafted at the beginning of the year, I met the Managers of the schools several times, and discussed its provisions fully with them. I am indebted to their criticisms for several beneficial amendments. In its final form the draft Code was circulated among Managers and met with general approval. It came into force on the 1st January, 1904; but Managers who cared to do so were permitted to bring their schools under it from the 1st July, 1903, and about one-half of them, including the Managers of St. Joseph's, the Italian Convent, the Diocesan School for Girls, and most of the London Missionary Society's schools and the American Baptist Mission's schools, elected to do so.

KOWLOON SCHOOLS.

The Kowloon School for European British subjects has now been open for nearly two years. The attendance during 1903 averaged 46.4 as compared with 39.3 in 1902, an increase of 18 per cent. The greatest number of scholars present on one day was 63. Mr. James in his report complains with reason of the irregularity of attendance. This irregularity seems inherent in the schools of the Colony, and is much to be regretted. The revenue collected under Fees amounted to \$1,854.50 as against \$924 in 1902 (8 months). During the first six months of the year I visited the school every fortnight, and less frequently during the latter half of the year. As regard discipline and organization, I have nothing to say but praise. I think it would be hard to find anywhere a brighter or better ordered school. As regards the curriculum, I am not yet prepared to give a final opinion. It will be another year or two before the results of the very solid and practical course of study are fully seen. I should add that I have made no suggestions as to the curriculum which Mr. James has not adopted. I shall report more fully on the school work at the end of the school-year in July.

The following new features were introduced in the course of the year:—(a) Towards the close of the year a Committee was appointed by the late Governor to consider the question of religious instruction. This Committee recommended that Biblical instruction should form part of the school curriculum. Scripture syllabus. (b) The celebration of Empire Day.—The school met at the usual time, and after listening to an address from the Headmaster, sang the national anthem, and was then given a whole holiday. (c) The national anthem is regularly sung by the whole school before dismissal on the last day of each week. (d) The school is drilled by a military drill instructor once a week. (e) A dancing class has been taught paper-folding, which will be followed by clay-modelling, as soon as the necessary materials arrive from England. (f) Practical chemistry and brush-work are being taught in the Fourth Form. (h) The addition to the Staff of a pupil-teacher.

BELLEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

I drew attention last year to a falling off in the number of attendances, which I attributed partly to the doubling of the fees charged in the latter half of 1901, and partly to the competition of other schools. In 1903 the average number of enrolments was 224 as against 342 in 1900.

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Though the decrease in numbers appears to have stopped, it has only done so owing to a new demand which the school is satisfying for the time being. In 1900 4 per cent. of the scholars were Indian boys under eleven years of age in the Preparatory School. In 1903 they had increased to over 9 per cent. At least another 11 per cent. are Eurasian or Asiatic boys other than Chinese. There appears to be need of a school for these boys; and I am glad to report that temporary arrangements have been made, through the liberality of a member of the Indian community, by which a Grant School will at once be opened for them.

THE DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

These schools were entirely re-organized at the beginning of the year. Special attention has been paid to the improvement of the Chinese masters in the method of their teaching, especially in the method of teaching English.

NORMAL CLASS.

A Normal class has already done much to improve their knowledge of the science of teaching. The fees paid by the scholars have gradually been raised, till now \$2 a month is paid by new boys, and \$1 a month by the scholars already in attendance. At Yauwatt, fees were charged from the middle of the year only. The total of fees collected was \$1,507.50 compared with \$152.50 in 1902, and nil in 1901. Attendances have as usual been extremely irregular. The average number in attendance at the three schools combined was 285 (Saiyungpan 95, Yauwatt 74, Wanchai 96). The schools were well equipped during the year with books and apparatus ordered from England; but as these did not arrive till the latter part of the year, and as some time was inevitably taken up with arranging the curriculum accordingly, the schools upon their reconstructed basis can hardly be said to have been working for more than six months.

GRANT SCHOOLS.

The Grant Code was adopted by some schools at the beginning of July, but I am not yet able to report definitely as to its effect. The Italian Convent and one or two other Roman Catholic Schools drew up what appear to be very sound courses of study under the provisions of the Code, and will, I feel sure, be materially improved by them. Of the Anglo-Chinese Schools, three at least—the Roman Catholic Cathedral School, the Anglo-Kadoorie School, and the S. Stephen's Anglo-Chinese School—have given evidence of a desire to attach due importance to the study of spoken English. The last is an encouraging example of a well-conducted school under Chinese management only. It has greatly improved in the last two years. The Vernacular Schools have on the whole greatly improved in the last two years. This improvement is naturally most easily detected in those which elected to come under the new Code at once, and which were thus freed from a hard-and-fast course of study. The schools under the management of the Rev. H. R. Wells, of the London Mission, show great promise.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The *Lai Sang* arrived from Calcutta yesterday, Capt. Young reporting strong N.E. wind and high sea. The s.s. *Loeris* (Messrs. Wa Fat Sing) arrived from Saigon yesterday with 2,200 tons of rice. Capt. Jackson reports strong N.N.E. wind and high sea with thick haze and rain from Cape Varella. The s.s. *Elizabeth Rickmers* (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) arrived from Bangkok with 2,000 tons of timber yesterday. She experienced fine weather to Cape Varella; thence to port N.E. wind and high sea. The *Huikoo*, from Haiphong yesterday, reports strong N.E. wind and high sea from port to port. The *Oiva*, from Moji, with 5,500 tons of coal for the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, reports strong N.E. gale all the way. The s.s. *Haiching*, from Foochow and Swatow yesterday, reports strong N.E. winds and high sea. The German s.s. *M. Struve*, from Tamsui, reports strong N.E. wind and high sea.

The loss of a telegraph steamer is a rather unusual occurrence. One such vessel was wrecked during the Mount Pelee eruption, and in 1888 or 1887 a telegraph ship was lost on the Greek or Ionian Islands. It is now reported that the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company's s.s. *Scotia*, en route on a voyage from the Far East to Honolulu at the time of mishap. The company's s.s. *Patrol* recently left Singapore for her assistance. The *Scotia* is on the rocks at Guam. This is the island where the new American cable between the Philippines and the United States was landed. Mrs. Keston, the captain's wife, and the wife of the chief engineer, were on board the *Scotia* when she grounded. The *Shall* and Transport Trading Co.'s s.s. *Bulmuth* recently arrived at Singapore from Palambang with the same company's s.s. *Murex* in tow. Both steamers are oil-tankers. It appears that about 8 o'clock on the morning of the 6th inst., while the *Murex* was in the Palambang river, a serious fire broke out in the stockhold. A tin of petroleum was accidentally upset and this set fire to the oil burners. The machinery and boilers were disabled. It is understood that the *Murex* will have to be docked here for three or four months to have the damage repaired.

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 3. Pilgerchor a. Tannhauser. v. Wagner.
 4. Fantasia a. Der Bajazzo. v. Leoncavallo.
 5. Geschichten aus dem Wiener Wald. v. Strauss.
- INTERVAL.
6. Ouverture a. Op. Tell. v. Rossini.
 7. Zug der Frauen zum Munster. v. Wagner.
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [814]

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THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, at 7.45 for 8 p.m. Members who wish to be present are requested to send in their names to the undersigned at the Chartered Bank, not later than THURSDAY, 24th instant.

H. F. CHARD,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [796]

BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Club will be held on the CLUB PREMISES, on TUESDAY, the 29th MARCH, 1904, at 5.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

J. L. COTTER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [803]

H. I. GERMAN M.S. CONSULATE GENERAL.

F. W. SCHULZ, Decussed.

ALL persons having claims against the Estate of the late Captain F. W. SCHULZ, S.S. "LOON'S NOON," who died at Shanghai on the 20th February, 1904, are requested to send particulars of the same on or before the 30th of April, 1904, and all persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make immediate Payment to **GEORG BOOLESEN,** Esquire, care of Inspector Office Hamburg-America Line, who has been appointed Official Administrator of the Estate.

Dr. BOYE,
Acting Consul-General for Germany,
Shanghai, 17th March, 1904. [804]

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [805]

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10, Des Vaux Road,
Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [874]

FOR SALE.

THE HOUSE No. 4 STEWART TERRACE, PEAK. Five Rooms and Offices, with FURNITURE.

Also

The large CROQUET LAWN above the Terrace (about 20,000 square feet) with equipment.

Nominal CROWN RENT.

Price: \$19,000, of which two-thirds can remain on mortgage.

For Further Particulars, apply to—**TURNER & CO.,**
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [813]

WANTED.

FIRST-CLASS CHINESE BROKER; who can obtain good, paying employment by addressing—**BOX 501,**
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [776]

WANTED.

AN Additional TEACHER required This Day, for Double Entry Bookkeeping.—Apply Warwick Peale, Principal, Business Training College, Watkins Buildings, near G.P.O.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [809]

LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French in a few months, mainly by conversation by a Frenchman. Terms very moderate. Also Lessons in English by an English Lady, E. R.

Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [3148]

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is the intention of the Promoter to apply to the Legislative Council of Hongkong for a Bill entitled an Ordinance for authorising the Construction of a Tramway within the Colony of Hongkong.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Promoter.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [802]

MAIL TABLES

FOR 1904.

Mounted on Card 30 cents
Paper 20 cents

On Sale at the Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904.

ENTERTAINMENT

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT will be given on TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 5.30 p.m. in the CITY HALL, when MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE will be given by FULL CHORUS & ORCHESTRA.

Prices of Admission to non-subscribers \$3 & \$1. **PETER DOW,** Hon. Secretary (vocals), **H. W. D. SCHMIDT,** Hon. Secretary (Orchestra).
Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [716]

HONGKONG CLUB.

THE FIFTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, \$100 each, was held in the Hongkong Club House, on Saturday, the 19th inst., when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:—

16	393	730	1195	1460
107	439	743	1197	1507
135	479	765	1211	1521
143	533	779	1244	1528
172	603	866	1246	1597
178	619	868	1247	1616
197	653	893	1249	1621
242	693	904	1249	1645
245	696	1077	1368	1612
273	697	1162	1380	1852
330	699	1161	1391	1858
362	702	1177	1417	1873
370	723	1191	1437	1912

and will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on the 31st day of March, 1904, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order, **C. H. GRACE,** Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [792]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Business of AH MEN and HING CHEONG & CO., Tailors, will be CARRIED ON from the 17th inst. at No. 9 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite to the Connaught House Hotel.

DAVID JOURSA & SON'S MERCHANT NAVY BOILER DRUM FLAY CANVAS TARPULING ARNOLD, KARBBERG & CO., Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [57]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD. have 40,000 cubic feet of Co. Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. PARLANE, Manager.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [57]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 24th MARCH, 1904, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Daddell Street, a FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE SILVERWARE, CLOISONNES, SATSUMA AND OTHER CURIOS.

(Particulars from Catalogue).
On view from Wednesday, the 23rd March, 1904, to 4 P.M. daily, at the residence, No. 1, KENTFORD TERRACE, Kowloon.

GEORGE P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [807]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from G. E. ASHDOWN, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 24th MARCH, 1904, at 3.30 p.m., within his residence, No. 1, KENTFORD TERRACE, Kowloon, SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

IRON BEDSTEADS with WIRE and RATTAN MATTRESSES, TEAKWOOD BOOKCASES, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, SIDEBORD, MARBLE-TOP WASH-STANDS, DRESSING TABLE, CHEST OF DRAWERS, BABY'S ROCKING CHAIR, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES, ICE CHEST, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c.

Also a Quantity of PLANTS and One ELECTRIC FAN and BATTERY.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [793]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from A. H. OUCH, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 25th and 26th MARCH, 1904, respectively, within his residence, No. 4, MACDONNELL ROAD, commencing at 2.30 p.m. each day, SUNDRY VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

Shanghai-made WARDROBE, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD DINNER WAGON, WRITING DESK, BRASS and IRON BEDSTEADS, TAPESTRY-COVERED SEAT, EAST CHAIRS, ICE CHEST, NEW COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, SILVER SALT CELLARS, &c., &c.

Also One DOBSON BANJO with HANDLE by Bacon, One FRISSTER and ROSSMAN SEWING MACHINE, and a Quantity of PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS and APPARATUS.

And One GRAND PIANO by Collard and Collard, London (in good order and condition). Catalogues will be issued.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents TOMORROW (THURSDAY), the 24th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [683]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, TOMORROW (THURSDAY), the 24th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [679]

WATKINS LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 31, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 26th MARCH, both days inclusive.

CHAN & FOOK, General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [734]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Hon. C. P. CHATEL, K.O.M.G., Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon on SATURDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, when the Liquidator will lay before the Shareholders a Final Report together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the following Resolution will be proposed, viz:—

To those Shareholders who make a written application to the Liquidator Mr. J. GOOSMANN, on or before the 2nd day of APRIL, 1904, \$1 (Dollar One) or a fraction of same, will be returned per Share, and any Balance remaining after payment of Auditor's Fee, Printing and Petty Expenses, is to be transferred to the credit of the Liquidator.

The Books of the Company are to remain in safe custody with Messrs. MELCHERS & CO., and to be destroyed after two years from date.

J. GOOSMANN, Liquidator.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [718

ROBINSON PIANO Co. LD.

**FOUR
REMARKABLE
PIANO -
PLAYERS.**

APOLLOETTE - - - - - \$450

APOLLO - - - - - \$550

**APOLLO "MASTER"
PLAYERS.**

**PLAY EVERY NOTE
OF THE PIANO,**

**SECURING EFFECTS OF
TREMENDOUS
IMPRESSIVENESS**

(OTHER MAKES PLAY 30 NOTES
LESS).

**"APOLLO" PLAYERS
for Hire.**

**APOLLO SUBSCRIPTION
LIBRARY.**

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [640]

TO LET.

NO. 2, "MAGDALEN TERRACE,"
MAGDALEN GATE.
Apply to—
HONGKONG 1st July, 1903. [72]

TO LET.

"THE EYRIE" (PRAK).
"ALEXANDRA" BUILDINGS, Rooms
on the Top Floor.
Nos. 15 & 17, MOSQUE JUNCTION.
No. 13 & 21, BELLILIOS TERRACE.
"WESTWARD HO," Top Floor only.
Apply to—
HONGKONG, 14th March, 1904. [397]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, QUEEN'S GARDENS
from 31st December, 1903.
Apply to—
Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [77]

TO LET.

GROUND FLOOR, No. 4, Des Vaux Road,
with Strong Room. Now in occupation
of Guaranty Trust Company of New York.
Apply to—
Linstead & Davis.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [702]

TO LET.

Shameen, Canton.
ONE or more FURNISHED ROOMS, in
excellent situation.
Apply to—
X. X.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1904. [582]

TO LET.

"BRAKENKNOVE" No. 35, Conduit
Road. Six Rooms and Garden.
Possession from 1st May.
Apply to—
C. F. DE CARVALHO.
Care of H. and S. Bank.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1904. [519]

TO LET.

2ND and 3RD FLOORS, No. 35, QUEEN'S
ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for Office.
Apply to—
WING CHEONG.
35, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1903. [74]

TO LET.

OFFICES, CENTRAL POSITION.
No. 33, CONDUIT ROAD, Six rooms.
Tennis Court.
No. 71, WYNDHAM STREET.
And others to suit various requirements.
S. A. SETH.
Daily Farm Co., Ltd. Land and Estate Broker.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [73]

TO LET.

NOS. 5 and 6, BARROW TERRACE
Kowloon. Available 1st March.
Apply to—
THE SAM WANG CO., LD.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1904. [423]

TO LET.

TO LET.

ONE SPACIOUS NEW GODOWN,
very suitable for Dry Goods.
Apply to—
W. LISAUGHT.
153, Wanchai Road.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1903. [76]

TO LET.

NO. 2, CONDUIT ROAD, FIVE
ROOMED HOUSE. Possession from
1st April next.
Apply to—
AHMET RUMJAHN.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [738]

TO LET.

IN Savoy Chambers, Robinson Road, Kow-
loon, a FOUR ROOMS FLAT, provided
with Kitchen, Bathroom and Water Service.
Rent Moderate.
Apply to—
DOOLITTLE & POLLOCK.
1 & 3, Wellington Street.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [713]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Robinson Road with Tennis
Lawn and Gardens.
Apply to—
BOX 111.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1904. [725]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, LADDER STREET,
Water and Gas laid on; commanding
a good view of the harbour. Rent \$65.00 per
month, inclusive of taxes.
Apply to—
"DAILY PRESS" OFFICE.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [764]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIPON TERRACE (in FLATS).
No. 4, RIPON TERRACE.
No. 10, MACDONNELL ROAD.
No. 17, WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD,
facing Race-course.
FLATS in MOBEYON TERRACE, facing the
Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT
ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS No. 3A, BLUE BUILDINGS.
GODOWNS, PRAYA EAST.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904. [75]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 325, PRAYA EAST.
Nos. 4 & 8, CASTLE ROAD.
Nos. 15, 17 & 19, SEYMOUR ROAD.
No. 74, CAINE ROAD.
No. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD, possession
from 1st April.
Apply to—
COMPTON DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [430]

TO LET—FURNISHED.

"LEWKNOR," the PEAK, for 18 months
from middle of March. Well furnished.
Less than 15 minutes from tram.
Apply to—
M. W. SLADE.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [331]

TO LET.

FIRST and SECOND FLOORS of No. 34,
Queen's Road Central, opposite the
General Post Office, after March 31st, 1904, at
present occupied by Messrs. Powell & Co., and
the Cosmopolitan House. This house is
especially suitable for people who are seeking
places for hotel purposes.
Please apply to—
YEE SANG FAT,
at the above address.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1903. [350]

TO LET (FURNISHED).

"EGGSFORD," SIX-ROOMED
HOUSE at the PEAK.
Apply to—
Linstead & Davis.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [271]

TO LET—AT MACAO.

NO. 5, RUA DO PE NARCISO, at the
back of Government House.
Apply to—
"EXCELSIOR," Macao, or
No. 3, CAINE ROAD, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [753]

TO LET.

TWO FURNISHED ROOMS, BATH-
ROOM, COOKROOM, "SERVANTS' QUAR-
TERS," etc., in Robinson Road.
Apply to—
C.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [628]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS.
"GLENWOOD,"
21, CAINE ROAD.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [752]

FIRST-CLASS BOARD & RESIDENCE

"ST. GEORGE'S HOUSE,"
2 & 4, KENNEDY ROAD,
and
"TOWER HOUSE," Kennedy Road.
Apply to—
MRS. G. SACHSE,
"St. George's House."
Hongkong, 17th March, 1903. [70]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

"TANG YUEN."
BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.
European Supervision. Excellent Cuisine
and Accommodation.
Apply to—
MANAGERESS,
Macdonnell Road
or
FAIRALL & CO., Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [71]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED
ROOMS, with Bath.
Apply to Mrs. MATHER,
2, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1892

THE WOMAN ON THE DERELICT,

BEING THE STRANGE LOVE STORY
OF JOHN BRAMWELL,
BY
GUY BOOTHBY.

(Author of "Dr. Nikola," "My Indian
Queen," &c., &c.)
CHAPTER XII.

There is an old saying that you can be knock-
ed over by a feather, and I really believe that at
that moment you could have done it for me.
To say that I was amazed would be to express
myself much too mildly. I was literally dumb-
founded.

"You Miss Angela Carbridge's brother?" I
stammered. "Then you're the notorious Sir
Giles Carbridge. Am I dreaming? I feel
dazed."

"And well you may be," was his rejoinder.
"Jack, you have saved my sister's life, saved
her from the most awful death imaginable. I
won't try to thank you because this is too big a
thing for thanks. She was my little playfellow
when I was a big boy, and she only a tiny maid.
She was the only one of all the family whom I
loved. When my father died, and I came into
the property and went to the dance. I loved her
still. And to think that these hell-hounds left
her to drown in that ship. If it costs me all
I have got in the world, if I have to pawn my
very shirt to do it, I'll hunt them down, and
may be."

But the oath he swore was too terrible for me
to put down here.
"Where is she?" he asked at length. "You
told me that you had found a pleasant home for
her. Where is that home? I must see her at
once."

"She is with friends at Hampton Court, who
are taking the greatest care of her. To-morrow
I will arrange that you shall see her."

"To-night," he muttered.
"No, no, not to-night," I said firmly. "You
must remember that she is by no means strong,
and you must allow yourself time to be
offended if she does not know you."

He ground his teeth, and I knew of what he
was thinking.
"You swear I shall see her to-morrow?"

"I'll write to the lady she is with at once, and
tell her everything. She will arrange it. And
that reminds me I must write another letter.
A man asked me to dine with him to-night and
go on to a theatre afterwards. I shan't go."

"I'll break your neck if you thought of it,"
was his reply. "I shall go along to my own
hotel and bring my traps over here, and you'll
come with me. If I were left alone to-night I
believe I should go mad. Write the letters,
man, write the letters, for Heaven's sake, and
get away."

I went to a writing table on the other side of
the room and wrote to Mrs. Jackson, telling her
what I had discovered concerning Miss Alex-
andra's real name, and told her also of the
arrival of her brother. I concluded by saying
that if it were quite convenient to her, we pro-
posed coming down in the morning for a little
while to see her, as my friend was too impatient
to wait until the afternoon. That finished, I
wrote a brief note to Armitage excusing myself
from dining with him on the plea of an im-
portant engagement. This last I dispatched
by a servant; the other I posted at the letter
box in the hall. All the time that I had been
writing, Giles, for I could not bring myself to
call him Carbridge, having known him so long
as Faringdon, was pacing the room in a fever
of impatience. He was a very different man
then to what he had been when I commenced
my story. That he had been and still was
genuinely attached to his sister, could be easily
seen, and I did not wonder at it, for a sweeter
—but there, I think you have heard all that
before, so there is no need for me to repeat it.

A handkerchief had been procured, we drove to
his hotel in Cork Street, obtained his baggage,
and returned with it to my hotel. During the
drive he scarcely spoke, and I did not attempt
to say a word, but he broke into his train of
thought. Not for a moment did I intend to
tell him that the man who I suspected had
pretended to be my intimate friend, and that he
was living not more than a couple of hundred
yards from my abode. Had I done so, good-
ness only knows what the consequences would
have been.

Fortunately the room next my own had been
vacated that afternoon, so that we were able to
be side by side. We went up to dress for
dinner. He was quicker than I. In fact I was
tying my tie, and not making a very good job
of it, when he entered my room, and coming
across to the dressing table before which I was
standing, he hit me a sounding smack on the
back.

"Jack," he said, "old boy, I don't know
whether I have told you before, but you're a
damned good chap. But there's one thing I
want to know, and that is, why an earth you
did so much for her? She was nothing to you."

"Don't you be too sure of that," I answered,
giving the bow of the tie a vicious tug.
"El! What?" Taking me by the shoulders,
he spun me round and looked me full and fair
in the face. "You don't mean it, do you?
Speak up, von ruffian, or I'll strangle you."

"And what if I do?" I enquired, smoothing
out my shirt front, for he had crumpled it.
"Well, all I can say is," he replied, "that—"
Well, I'm not going to tell you what he said,
because I didn't deserve it, though he seemed
to think I did.

Next morning, while we were at breakfast,
a telegram arrived from Mrs. Jackson inviting
us to come at any time we pleased. I tossed it
across the table to Giles, who was as usual
proving himself a valiant trencherman.
"Thank goodness," he ejaculated. "What
time shall we start?"

I despatched a waiter for a time table, and
when I received it, turned to the page showing
the Hampton Court line.

"There is a train at half-past ten," I said.
"If we hurry we ought to be able to catch that."

"Then let's catch it by all means," was his
answer.

Having made myself presentable, I descended
to the hall to find a telegram for me in the
letter rack. It was an answer to the enigma
I had despatched to Australia, and the reply
was to the effect that the firm knew no squatter
of the name I mentioned.

I thought as much. I said to myself, as I
placed the message in my pocket-book. "Those
station photographs must have been purchased
with the sole intention of allaying any suspicions
I might have."

Presently Giles made his appearance, and
jumping into a cab we drove off to Waterloo.

It was a bright, cold morning, with a touch
of frost in the air. I think we were both
nervous about the coming interview, though
we tried not to let each other see it. For this
reason we talked of old days and of the many
adventures we had gone through together.

At last we reached Hampton Court and passed
out of the station in the direction of Mrs. Jack-
son's house. The old lady received us herself
in the drawing-room. I presented Miss Angela's
brother, Sir Giles Carbridge, to her.

"I should have known that you were her
brother by your likeness to her," she observed.
"I fear you will find her changed since you last
saw her, although she is decidedly better. The
doctor seems very hopeful about her."

"Thank Heaven for that," said Giles. "And
now may I see her, Mrs. Jackson?"
"Yes, I will tell her," replied the old lady,
and left the room.

"Heart up, old fellow," I said, "all will
come right yet. But don't be disappointed if
she does not know you at first."

"I'm not a child," he said savagely.
We had no time to say more, for the door
opened and Miss Angela entered.

I was for going out and leaving them alone,
but Giles stopped me with an imperious wave
of his hand. Then he went forward to greet
his sister.

"Angela, my darling, are you glad to see
me?"
He took her in his arms and kissed her. A
warm flush suffused her face and she drew her-
self away from him.

"Don't you remember me?" he asked, and
there was a note of pain in his voice. "I am
your brother, Giles—the brother who used to
play with you at Carbridge, who taught you to
ride your first pony, and who loved you so
dearly!"

But she only shook her head and swept her
hand across her brow.
"I cannot remember," she said.

I knew what pain it was causing him, but it
was impossible to do anything to help. Strangely
enough she remembered me and addressed me
by my name, but whether she connected me in
any way with what had happened before she
arrived at Aeneas Villa was more than I can say.

An idea occurred to me, and I mentioned it to
Mrs. Jackson. I had noticed that she was
always in better spirits when in the open air.
Perhaps if we were to take a stroll, it might do
her good on this occasion.

"Go by all means," said the old lady.
"Angela dear, put on your things and take a
little walk with your brother and Mr. Bram-
well."

She went off at once and in a few minutes
returned in her out-of-doors attire.

We set off along the towing path, past the
Race Course, and away towards Sandway Lock.
At first she was inclined to be reserved, but after
a while she talked a little more freely. Once
more her brother touched on the subject of their
life as children. But once more it was plain
that she did not understand to what he referred.

At last, it was time for us to turn back, and we
accordingly retraced our steps.

As we approached Moles Lock a string of
horses, hauled by a tug, were waiting to enter.
The lock was filling fast and Giles, who was
interested, suggested that we should stay and
see them pass through. We accordingly walked
down to the edge of the lock and waited. Even
to this day I can scarcely hear to think of what
happened then. Whether she slipped or
whether the swirling water made her giddy, it
is impossible to say. I only know that, with a
cry, she fell forward and disappeared beneath the
surface.

Almost before I knew what I was doing my
coat and hat were off and I had dived in after
her. Strong swimmer though I am, it was
almost impossible to do anything in that eddy-
ing rush of water. At last I had to come to
the surface for breath. Then down I went
again. At last I felt something and seizing it
rose with it once more. My strength was nearly
gone, but I had caught her securely by the
sack of her dress and raised her head above
water. A couple of strokes brought me to the
edge of the lock, which was now full.

"Take her," I managed to say, and I saw
Giles stoop and pull her out. Then I felt my-
self sinking and lost consciousness.
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 Mar. 22. FOHMAO, French steamer, 509, Canto, Hoibong and Hoihow 21st Mar. General.—A. R. MARY.
 Mar. 22. KRONGWAI, German str., 1,115, W. Mollo, Bangkok 14th March, Rice and Timber.—NORTH GERMAN LLOYD.
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 Mar. 22. SALAZIE, French str., 2,088, Negro, Marseilles and Saigon 19th March, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	JAVA	Brit. str.	S. Barham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 30th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAO	Brit. str.	S. Barham	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACIUS	Brit. str.	S. Barham	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th April.
BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	E. Prohn	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst., at Noon.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	Sora	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	31st May.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SARASBURG	Brit. str.	Molten	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	26th inst., P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	SILESIA	Aus. str.	Stabile	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th April.
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VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA N. S. &c.	AFRIDE	Brit. str.	E. of China	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	30th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	ATHEMIA	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th April.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	NINGCHOW	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	INDASAMBA	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th April, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	27th inst., D. Light.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 5th April.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 11 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 26th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	30th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	3rd April, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTOW	Brit. str.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd April, 10 A.M.
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 FOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY ... "M. STRUVE" ... March, at 10 A.M.
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY ... "TRIUMPH" ... WEDNESDAY, 30th March, at 10 A.M.
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY ... "A. HANSEN" ... March, at 10 A.M.
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY ... "FRITHJOF" ... SUNDAY, 3rd April, at 10 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1904.

T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS, ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

1904

PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 30th March

HAMBURG ... WEDNESDAY ... 18th April

PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 27th April

OLDENBURG ... WEDNESDAY ... 11th May

BAYERN ... WEDNESDAY ... 25th May

SACHSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 8th June

ZIETEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 22nd June

SEYDLITZ ... WEDNESDAY ... 6th July

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ... WEDNESDAY ... 20th July

ROON ... WEDNESDAY ... 3rd August

PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 17th August

PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 31st August

GNEISENAU ... WEDNESDAY ... 14th September

BAYERN ... WEDNESDAY ... 28th September

SACHSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 12th October

ZIETEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 26th October

PRINCESS ALICE ... WEDNESDAY ... 9th November

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ... WEDNESDAY ... 23rd November

PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 7th December

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 21st December

PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 4th January 1905

Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
